

Over the years, I have seen the diversity of the media shrink and shrink. Now we are facing the most diabolical FCC ruling ever, which would make freedom of press a joke, except for the very wealthy corporations.

That is what Docket No. 02-277, The Biennial Review of the FCC's broadcast media ownership rules, would do. The FCC should retain the current media ownership rules and impose stricter public interest requirements.

By allowing our media outlets to merge print and broadcast facilities a greater restriction on the breadth of news and information available to citizens to act in the public interest will result.

I urge the Commission to hold hearings in all parts of the country and solicit the widest possible participation from the public which will be the most directly affected by the outcomes of these decisions.

Sincerely,

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